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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

- 1. (Currently amended) A heat resistant masking tape, comprising (1) a heat resistant backing film layer, wherein a surface of the heat resistant backing film layer is surface treated selected from the group consisting of polyethylene naphthalate, polyphenylene sulfide, and polyimide; and (2) a nonaqueous pressure-sensitive adhesive layer disposed on the treated a surface of the heat resistant backing film layer, wherein the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a polymer resulting from polymerizing and cross-linking a nonaqueous monomer mixture comprising an alkyl (meth)acrylate with an alkyl group having 4 to 15 carbon atoms, glycidyl(meth)acrylate and (meth)acrylic acid, the glycidyl(meth)acrylate being present in an amount of 2 to 13% by weight of the total weight of monomers and the (meth)acrylic acid being present in an amount of 1 to 7% by weight of the total weight of monomers.
- 2. (Original) A heat resistant masking tape according to claim 1, wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer has a thickness of 0.5 to $100 \mu m$.
 - 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Previously presented) A heat resistant masking tape according to claim 1, wherein said heat resistant backing layer has a thickness of 1 to 250 μ m.
- 5. (Previously presented) A heat resistant masking tape, comprising (1) a heat resistant backing film layer; and (2) a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer disposed on the heat resistant backing film layer, wherein the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a polymer resulting from polymerizing and cross-linking a monomer mixture consisting essentially of an alkyl (meth)acrylate with an alkyl group having 4 to 15 carbon atoms, glycidyl(meth)acrylate and (meth)acrylic acid, the glycidyl(meth)acrylate being present in an amount of 2 to 13% by weight of the total weight of monomers and the (meth)acrylic acid being present in an amount of 1 to 7% by weight of the total weight of monomers.